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In re Application of: BURGES et al.

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Entitled: AUDIO PROCESSING SYSTEM
AND METHOD FOR CLASSIFYING
SPEAKERS IN AUDIO DATA

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Sir:

Attached hereto is a Form PTO-1449 listing documents believed relevant to the subject application. It is respectfully requested that these documents be made of record and an initialed copy of each form be returned to the undersigned.

This disclosure statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists. Furthermore, no admission is being made that these documents are prior art, and

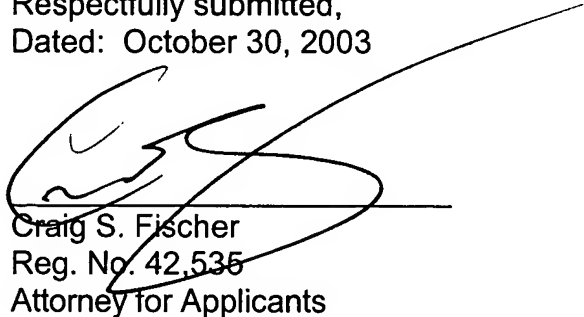
the Applicants reserve the right to challenge any such conclusion.

It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, and the manual of Patent Examining Procedures, sections 609 and 707.05. If for some reason the Examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be contacted so that any deficiencies can be remedied.

A copy of these documents is enclosed unless indicated otherwise. Some of the documents may have markings on them. No significance is meant to be attached to the markings. These documents are not necessarily analogous art.

In an effort to expedite and further the prosecution of the subject application, the Applicants kindly invite the Examiner to contact the Applicants' attorney by telephone at (805) 278-8855 if the Examiner has any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,
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